IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Holger Klapproth et al. Holger Klapproth et al.

Group Art: TBA

Serial No. 09/889,935

Examiner: TBA

Filed: 25 July 2001

Immobilization of Molecules on Surfaces via:

Polymer Brushes

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 for a one-month extension of time to extend the time for responding to the Notice of Missing Parts of 5 September 2001 to 5 December 2001. A check in the amount of \$55.00 for the extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) is attached.

The Commissioner hereby is authorized to charge payment of any fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 which may become due in connection with the instant application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2220.

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Respectfully submitted,

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